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Applicant(s):	Christian Belady	Confirmation No.	7173
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For:	Thermal Transfer Interface System and Methods	Attorney Docket No.	10018060-1

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RESPONSE & AMENDMENT

Sir:

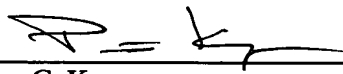
Pursuant to the requirement for election mailed on April 15, 2003, we provisionally elect to prosecute Species A of Figure 3. Claims 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 16, 17, 18, 19 may read on Species A. We also provisionally elect subspecies I, including claims 9 and 19.

Nonetheless, Applicants traverse and disagree with the requirement for election of species and subspecies since the requirement for election does not establish reasons for insisting upon election, as required by MPEP 808.02. Moreover, the Examiner states that subspecies I and II are "non-illustrated;" however, paragraph 37 clearly states that spring element 60, FIG. 4, is for example sponge-like material and therefore "illustrated." Clarification is respectfully requested.

It is believed that no fees are due in connection with this amendment. If any additional fee is due, please charge Deposit Account No. 08-2025.

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